# Annual Report on Internal Controls

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## **Annual Report on Internal Controls**

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## Background

- In 2004 City Council adopted Ordinance 19320 to achieve a high standard in financial and disclosure practices
- Municipal Code 22.0708 requires that an Annual Report on the City's internal controls be presented to City Council by the Chief Financial Officer
- Internal Controls Section (ICS) established in the Office of the City Comptroller

#### Discussion

- Management's role and responsibility is to establish an internal controls environment across all City operations that have a financial impact on the citywide financial reports
- Coordinates development and documentation of the City's financial policies and procedures
- Development and application of controls and monitoring
- Coordinates completion of audit recommendations

## Major Accomplishments

- Audit Recommendations
- Process Documentation
- Partnership with Departments
- Reporting
- SAP Governance, Risk and Compliance

#### **Audit Recommendations**

- ICS tracked and reported completion of 202 audit recommendations by management
- 191 audit recommendations deemed as implemented resulting in the closure of 21 audits
- 177 open audit recommendations contained in 40 individual audit reports
- Prior audit findings remediated include:
  - Material Weakness in Internal Controls over Financial Reporting (MGO 2003-1)
  - Violations of Securities Laws (MGO 2003-4)

#### **Process Documentation**

- During 2011, ICS completed 100 process narratives and 100 workflow diagrams
- 26 process narratives have been submitted to the ICS and are currently in various stages of completion
- 229 completed process narratives and workflow documents have been published
- Major processes documented include Accounts Payable, Treasury and Payroll

## Partnership with Departments

- Technical assistance and guidance has been provided by the ICS in many areas including:
  - Annual SAP User Access Review
  - ERP System Enhancement Review
  - Internal Control Policy for Managed Competition

## Reporting

- Productivity statistics maintained include:
  - Segregation of duties violations
  - Audit reports and recommendations
  - Transaction testing
  - Process documentation

### SAP Governance, Risk and Compliance

- 10,000+ Users analyzed for Segregation of Duties violations each month
- Testing performed in key approval processes in Accounts Payable, Payroll and Accounting functions
- 51 Process and Control Design Assessments distributed to Owners

#### **Future Activities**

- Citywide Internal Controls Risk Assessment
- Configuration and Implementation of SAP Governance, Risk and Compliance 10.0

